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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane,
Leicester Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,
Cornhill. GORDON & GOSCH, 121, Hol-
born Hill. E. C. BATES HENDY & Co.,
4 Old Jewry, E.C.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOSCH, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports
generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San
Francisco.

CHINA.—Swatow, Amoy & Co., Amoy,
Guthrie & Co., Foochow, Tientsin, &
Co., Shanghai, H. P. & Co., Ma-
nilla, C. & B. & Co.

Arrivals.

March 17, Marian, British barque, 400
Tons, Yokohama, March 1, Ballast.
Order.
March 18, Formosa, Brit. steamer, 700
Tons, Fochow 14th, Amoy 16th, and
Swatow 17th, General.—P. & O. Co.
March 17, Lorley, N. Ger. barque, 303
Tons, Sydney, Jan. 23, 400 tons
Coal.—BOURJAU, HUBNER & Co.

Departures.

March 18, Isis, for Swatow.
18, Neptune, for Singapore.
18, Queen of England, for Bangkok.
18, Victoria, for Choofo.
18, Kooloon, for Amoy.
18, Albatross, for San Francisco.

Passengers.

Arrived.—Per Formosa, Mr and Mrs
Karowski, Mrs Stevens and Dupont, Capt.
Aryalder and Mr Yule, Mr Salskorn, and
St. Chinese.

Shipping Reports.

S. S. Formosa, reports having left Foo-
chow 14th March, Amoy 16th and Swatow
17th, experienced thick fog and incessant
rain throughout the passage, with vivid
lightning and thunder squalls, passed the
at Yesso on the 16th inst. bound North;
the S. S. Kooloon, Tany was at Fochow
when the Formosa left, passed a small screw
steamer off Tanco bound out.

The North German barque Lorley, from
Sydney, reports fine weather and light E.
N. E. winds; crossed the Equator on 26th
Feb., in long. 117 E., thence had strong
W. gales, which lasted for three days; in
China sea had variable weather and N. E.
wind till arrival in port on 17th March; 63
days out.

New Advertisements.

NEW GOODS.

Ex "Black Prince" and "Ziba."
Brass BEDSTEADS.
DELICIOUS for Macao Trips.
Despatch BOXES and DESKS.
STATIONERY.
HENRIETTA, PARAMATTA, &c., &c.,
for the opening season.
ELECTRO PLATE.
TAPERS for early morning Tea.
Lighting CANDLESTICKS.
Prestige CADDLES.
Leather CLUTCH.
Fire BRICKS.
Globe CROCKERY.
Tuscan STRAWS.
Patent WATER-CLOSETS.
HATS, UMBRELLS.
Fishing LINES.
Leather BELTING for Machinery.
Raguet BALLS.
PHEUMERY.
Dust SPECTACLES.
Krug & CHAMPAGNE.
FINE PORT WINE.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Hongkong, March 18, 1869. apr13

CONSULATE OF THE
NETHERLANDS.
ENDERS for REPAIRS of the Dutch
barque "Agnetta & Constantia," Cap-
tain VAN LERDRENS, will be received at
this Consulate till SATURDAY, the 20th
inst. For particulars apply to the Captain
on board or to the Undersigned.
G. G. DEYERMAN,
Hongkong, March 18, 1869. mar20

FOR SHANGHAI.
The British steamer
"NIGER"
will leave for the above port, on
or about WEDNESDAY, the
24th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE BORNEO COY. LIMITED.
Hongkong, March 18, 1869.

STEAM TO
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
THE P. & O. S. S. S.
"FORMOSA."
will have quick despatch for the above
ports.
W. MACAULAY,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 18, 1869.

NOTICE.
FROM and after this date, the style of
our firm will be WATER, SMITH & Co.
WAHBE & Co.,
China Sugar Refinery,
East Point.
Hongkong, March 17, 1869. apr17

WANTED IMMEDIATELY. one or
two unfurnished BED ROOMS.
Address "O. P." care of office of this paper.
Hongkong, March 16, 1869. mar23

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

SELLING OFF AT COST PRICE.
FOR
ONE MONTH ONLY.

ON and after the 17th proximo, the Store
of the Undersigned will positively be
closed, but in the meantime they offer at
COST PRICE
The whole of their Immense Stock
as follows—

SHIP CHANDLERY.
Russian Rope, Hoistlines, Madine, Rat-
line, Seizing Stuff, and Hambroline, Mast
Hoops, Jib-Hanks, Bimery and Sand Paper,
Hemp and Cotton Canvas, Parcelling, Dril-
ling, Blocks, Brushes of all kinds, Tar,
Varnish, Leather and Canvas Hose.

WILLMAN'S STORES.
Pickles, Mustard, Sago, Arrowroot, Tac-
pico, Pearl Barley, Raisins, Capers, Chut-
ney and Curry-Powder, Sauces, and Ket-
chups, Cream Tartar, Soda, Saleratus,
Coffee, Sugar, Milk, Flavoring Extracts,
Essence of Jamaica Ginger, Bologna Sau-
sages, Game, Pies, Hominy, Preserved
Meats, Soups, Fruits, and Vegetables.

IRONMONGERY.
Augers, Chisels, Gouges, Files, Screws,
(Iron and Brass) Hammers, Hatchets, Axes,
Adzes, Saws, Planes, Hinges, Trysquares,
Compasses, Screw Drivers, Braces and
Bits, Hump, Rubber and Tuck's Packing,
Anvils, Emery Powder, Tube Brushes,
Belting, Taps and Dies, Water and Gauge
Cocks, Boiler Plates.

Ship and House Cooking Stores, Parlor
Grates, Saucepans, Handcuffs, Locks of all
kinds, Shovels, Spades.
FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES.
Iron SAFES.
Plated, Glass and Crockery WARES.
Sherry and Port WINES.

BRANDY and WHISKY in bottles and
casks.
GIN, RUM, LIQUEURS and RUINE
WINES.
ALE and PORTER.
Sundry other GOODS.

CHARTS at \$0.50 each.
THOS. HUNT & Co.,
Hongkong, March 17, 1869. apr17

WANTED.
TONNAGE for Foochow, for about 400
Tons Dead Weight.
Apply to
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Hongkong, March 16, 1869. if

FOR SALE.
FOUR first class CARGO BOATS, all in
good order with Sails and Gear com-
plete.
Average burthen, 800 piculs each.
Apply to
MORGAN LAMBERT & Co.,
Hongkong, March 12, 1869.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

WITH a view to the apportionment of
the Reserve Third of Profits, Share-
holders are requested to furnish the under-
signed on or before the 1st April next,
with a memorandum of the Premiums con-
tributed by them to the above Company.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Liquidators.
Hongkong, March 13, 1869. apr1

HONGKONG HOTEL.

FROM this date the Management of the
Hongkong Hotel is placed in charge of
Mr GEORGE E. POTT, to whom all com-
munications should be addressed.
LEE A FONG,
Lessee.
Hongkong Hotel,
March 8, 1869. if

ARRIVAL OF THE MAIL.

THE LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS
CONTAINS Report on the Committee of
the Directors of OVERSEA GURNEY &
Co.
Also,
Details of the Telegraph Scheme, to In-
dia, by Submarine Cables.
Reception of the Baringame Mission by
the French Emperor.
Cargoes of 11 Ships for China, &c.

THE LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS
is published in London for the P. & O.
Co.'s and French Mail, and contains—
Summary of Home, Parliamentary, and
Foreign News.
Special Correspondents' Letters from
Germany, Holland, &c.
Leading Articles on the principal inter-
ests of China.
Digest of Home Opinions on China Sub-
jects.
List of Passengers for the current and
succeeding Mails.
Naval and Military News.
Births, Marriages, and Deaths.
Commercial, Banking, Share Lists, &c.
Market Reports, Shipping News, Freight,
Exchange, &c., from London and
the Continent, New York, &c.
Statistics of Imports and Exports.
Supplement.
Statement of each Ship's Cargo for
China and Japan, and by the P. & O.
Mails.
Subscription—\$12 per Annum. With
Export Supplement, \$14.50. Single Copies,
50 cents.
J. B. MORRIS,
Agent, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, March 12, 1869.

New Advertisements.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., beg to an-
nounce that they have received Ex-
clusive of the "Black Prince," a consignment of The As-
sociated Vineyard Cultivators' Company's
No. 1 BRANDY.
Hongkong, March 12, 1869. mar27

GREAT REDUCTION.

Closing of Business.
THE Undersigned, who is closing his bu-
siness in May next, begs most res-
pectfully to offer to the public, his large
collection of Photographs at the following
low rates, an opportunity that should not
be lost, patrons wishing to have copies
from their negatives can have them at
greatly reduced rates.
Views in set of 60 each, \$20.
Views in set of 25 each, \$12.50.
W. P. FLOYD,
Hongkong, March 12, 1869. if

"STAG HOTEL."

Queen's Road, Hongkong.
EDMUND R. HOLMES,
Secretary.

THE next General MEETING of the
Members of the MORRISON EDUCATION
SOCIETY, will be held in the London Mis-
sion House, on the 30th March, at 3 p.m.
D. E. MORRIS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 1, 1869. mar30

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to leave
the Colony, request that all persons
indebted to them will make immediate pay-
ment of same and all persons having claims
against them will present them for settle-
ment by 31st March 1869.
FRED. M. HARSANT,
GEORGE A. F. MORRIS.
Hongkong, March 1, 1869. apr1

Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell
by Public Auction in their Sales
Rooms, Queen's Road, on
FRIDAY,
the 19th instant, at Noon—
An Invoice of Hosiery, comprising:
Men's white, brown and fancy striped
Hose, Women's white and striped
Hosiery, etc., etc.
Towels, Handkerchiefs, Table Covers,
Black French Merino, 100 cases Brandy,
2 cases Bryant and May's Matches, 12
doz. Brass Barrel Bolts: A quantity
of Silver Watch Guards, Japanese Trays,
Bagatelle Tables, Harness Blacking,
Framed Engravings, 2 New Medicine
Chests, Crosse and Blackwell's Arrow-
root, 90 piculs old Yellow Metal.
Etc., etc., etc.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
All lots, with all faults and errors of
description, at Purchaser's risk on the
fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, March 16, 1869. mar19

TO ART CONNOISSEURS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell
by Public Auction, in their Store
Premises, on
TUESDAY,
23rd inst., at 2.30 p.m.—
A number of OIL PAINTINGS,
WATER COLOURS, etc., in magni-
ficent Gilt Frames. They include Ori-
ginals, and Copies from the best masters,
and will be nearly all sold without reserve.
Among others are—
2 Landscapes, original.—REINHARDT.
1 Judith, original.—RIEDEL.
1 Country Woman, original.—EPP.
1 Madonna, after LASSO-FERRATO.
1 The Monk Happy, original.—GISEN.
1 pair, Morning and Evening, after
PENSUR.
1 "Distinguished Member of the Hu-
mane Society," after LANDSEER.
1 Grotinge—copy from VANDYCK.
1 Death of Orpheus—by DE LAISSE.
1 The Nativity—copy from REM-
BRANDT.
Etc., Etc., Etc.
Inspection is invited.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
All lots with all faults and errors of de-
scription at purchaser's risk on the fall
of the hammer.
Hongkong, March 11, 1869. mar23

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have
received instructions to sell by
Public Auction, on
SATURDAY,
the 20th March, at Noon, at Messrs
MULLER & CLAUSSEN'S Ship Chandlery
Store—
The remainder of their Stock of SHIP
CHANDLERY and PROVISIONS,
comprising Russian and Manila Ropes,
Paints, Oil, Canvas, Twine, Bunting,
Hampiro and House-lines, Log and Flag-
lines, Mast Hoops, Hanks, Blocks, gal-
vanized Thimbles, Paint, and Scrubbing
Brushes, Beef, Pork, Barley, Split and
Green Peas, Clarified Butter, Brandy,
Preserved Meats, Vegetables, Butter,
Crockery Ware, etc., etc.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
Hongkong, March 17, 1869. mar20

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received in-
structions from the Mortgagee to
sell by Public Auction, on
FRIDAY,
the 19th day of March, at Noon, on the
Premises, under the power of sale con-
tained in the deed of Mortgage—
All that piece or parcel of GROUND,
situate on Bonham Street West, and
known as section B of Marine Lot No.
89, together with the two substantially
built Chinese HOUSES erected thereon,
and numbered respectively 133 and 12.
Ground rent, \$11.13.0 per annum.
For further particulars, apply to the
Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of purchase
money to be paid on fall of the ham-
mer, the balance on completion of the
deed of transfer. All expenses of trans-
fer to be paid by the purchaser. The
Property to be at the risk of the pur-
chaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 11, 1869. mar19

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received in-
structions to sell by Public Auc-
tion, on
FRIDAY,
the 19th day of March 1869, at 4 o'clock
a.m., on the Premises—
That spacious and pleasantly situated
HOUSE, known as "Harperville," just
in rear of the Albany, built on the North
Eastern section of Inland Lot No. 648,
with Out Offices and a large piece of
Ground attached. The total area of the
Lot being about 10,000 square feet.
For further particulars, apply to the
Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One half of the pur-
chase money to be paid on the fall of the
hammer, the balance on completion of
the deed of transfer. All expenses of
transfer to be paid by the purchaser.
The property to be at the risk of the pur-
chaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 10, 1869. mar19

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction,
on
WEDNESDAY,
the 24th Mar, 1869, at 12 o'clock, Noon,
at his Sales Rooms, Commercial Bank
Buildings—
All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND,
situate at Pokfulam and registered in
the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29.
The Lot contains in the whole ten
and a quarter acres.
After which and at the same time and
place, will be sold, all those Lots of
Land situate at Sowkeewan and regis-
tered in the Land Office as Inland Lots
No. 105 con'g in the whole 9000 sq. feet
"106 " " 3000 sq. feet
"107 " " 9000 sq. feet
"108 " " 3000 sq. feet
"118 " " 2500 sq. feet
"137 " " 4000 sq. feet
For further particulars apply to the
Undersigned.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the Pur-
chase money to be paid on the fall of the
hammer, and the balance on completion of
the deeds of transfer. All expenses of
transfer to be paid by the Purchaser.
Property to be at the risk of the Pur-
chaser from the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 12, 1869. mar24

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Property at Fochow, known as
DENT & Co.'s, will be offered for
sale by Public Auction, in June next,
unless previously disposed of by private
contract.
The Property consists of
DWELLING HOUSE,
containing 8 Rooms and Bath Rooms,
with Servants' Offices and Stables detach-
ed, the whole surrounded by a Garden.
This House is let on a short Lease at
\$150 per month.
OFFICES AND GODOWNS.
A House containing 4 Offices and
Spacious Tea Room, with fire-proof God-
owns, large Treasury, and Comptroller's
Rooms below, Servants' Offices &c., at-
tached.
Three large Godowns, A, B, and C,
adjoining the above.
This property has water frontage, is
situated in the most eligible portion of
the business quarter of Fochow, and is
let on a Repairing Lease for 5 years,
commencing from the 1st May next, at
the annual rental of \$4,500.
For further particulars, apply at the
Office of the Trustees, No. 7, Pedder's
Hill.
Hongkong, February 1, 1869.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned will sell by Public
Auction, unless previously disposed
of by private Contract, for account of
whom it may concern, and under Power
of Sale contained in the Mortgage, on
FRIDAY,
the 19th March, 1869, at 10 A.M.,
On Board—
The British Barque "RUBY,"
532 Tons Register, O.M., as she now
lies off Wanchi, in this Harbor, with all
her appurtenances. This vessel has deliv-
ered here 726 Tons Coal, and is known
as a very fast and profitable craft. She
has a fixed between decks 6 feet 10
inches high, and carries an Iron Water
Tank of 2,000 Gallons capacity, and is
very well adapted for Chinese Passen-
gers. She is in perfect order, and can
go to sea as she now lies. This vessel
has been built in E. Boston in 1859, all
of Oak, copper fastened, and yellow me-
talled.
For further particulars and Inventory,
apply to the undersigned, or to the Cap-
tain on board.
TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the pur-
chase money to be paid on the fall of the
hammer, and the balance within 48 hours,
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7,
upon the vessel will be transferred to the
purchaser. The vessel to be at pur-
chaser's risk upon the fall of the ham-
mer. Expenses of Transfer to be borne
by the purchaser.
MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Hongkong, March 15, 1869. mar19

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Shipping.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The American ship
"WINDWARD,"
Capt. BABERT, will have quick
despatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, March 2, 1869.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The American ship
"HELVETIA,"
Capt. BALEY, will have quick
despatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1869.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The American ship
"NATIONAL EAGLE,"
Capt. NIKERSON, will have
quick despatch for the above
port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
Hongkong, February 20, 1869.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The Amr. Ship
"SHIRLEY,"
Capt. FERGUSON, will have
quick despatch for the above
Port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 29, 1869.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE "BLACK PRINCE" FROM
LONDON.
CLAIMS against the above Vessel, if any,
must be sent to the Office of the Under-
signed before Noon on Saturday next,
or they will not be recognised by
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, March 17, 1869.

THE following cases have been landed
and stored at the risk and expense of
the Consignees, who are requested to take
immediate delivery.
Ex "Hoogly," 31st October, 1868.
1 case Arms.
Ex "Cambridge," 2d February, 1869.
GFO 18685 1 case Chemicals.
Ex "Donnat," 13th March, 1869.
1 case Stationery.
O. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, March 17, 1869.

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Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr
WILLIAM NELSON in our Firm ceased
on the 30th June last.
Mr TORIAS PIM, Mr WILLIAM NISSET
OLMSTED and Mr H. RYMOUR GRAY are
authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong
and China from this date.
OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, October 6, 1868.

FROM this date Mr GEORGE E. LANE,
will act as Agent of the Pacific Mail
Steam-ship Company at this port.
GEO. F. BOWMAN.
Hongkong, March 15, 1869.

NOTICE.
THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF
HONGKONG & WHAMPOA LIMITED
MR ROBERT S. WALKER has this day
been appointed Secretary to the Com-
pany, and Mr JOHN INGLIS, the present
Acting Secretary, resumes his functions as
Managing Engineer for the Company.
By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, March 3, 1869.

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For Sale.

Per "Mast Steamer" and late Arrivals.
MISS ROSE
HAS received a choice assortment of
French GLASSES, black and colored,
BAREGE and FANCY DRESSES, black
and colored pieces VELVETS and SATINS
in the newest shades.
Ladies' and FANCY RIBBONS, VEL-
VETS, SASSI, RIBBONS, and DRESSES
TRIMMINGS in great variety. Real
CLONIE and VALENTIENNES LA ES.
Ladies' and Children's trimmed and un-
trimmed HATS in all the fashionable
shapes.
Ladies' BONNETS latest styles, Plain
and Fancy SUNSHADES, French FANS,
&c.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's French Kid
GLOVES and BOOTS.
Ladies' White Satin and Kid BOOTS.
A large assortment of French and Eng-
lish HOSIERY, Gentlemen's Black and
Dark Shell HATS, SHIRTS, COLLARS,
TIES, &c., &c.
Houses' PERFUMERY.
WELLINGTON STREET,
Opposite the Catholic Chapel.
Hongkong, February 13, 1869.

S. W. BAKER & Co.,
BEG to invite inspection of their New
STOCK for the Season, received per
late arrivals, including—
Ladies' Hats, Bonnets, Opera Cloaks,
Dresses in plain and fancy Silks, Poplin-
thes, Rags, and new Features, French
Tobacco, made, French Sashes, Belts,
Jackets and Mantles, new shape Jupons,
white and scarlet Corsets, Lace Collars, and
other Trimmings, Ribbons, and Rib-
bons Velvets in all colors, Hosiery, Kid
Cashmere, and Bronze Boots, white Satin
Boots and Kid Gloves. A large assortment
of Wool and Embroidery Works, as Cushion
Patterns, Smoking Caps, Mantle Sets, &c.
Sangster's Umbrellas, Christy's new shape
Felt and Shell Hats, a choice lot of Neck
Scarves, Ties, Wrappers, Collars, Socks,
Fancy Tweeds and Coatings, Bruses, &c.
Brussels Carpets, Velvet Pile Carpets
and Rugs, All Wool Damasks, Lace Cur-
tains, Table Covers in great variety, Da-
mask Table Cloths in all sizes, Table Nap-
kins, D'Oyleys, Blankets, Counterpanes,
Sheetings, Flannels, Wool Mats, Turkish
and other Towels, &c.

Children's Trimmed Hats, Boots, Peram-
bulators, Picture Books, Toys, &c.
Dressing Cases, and Travelling Bags
filled, furnished with Gentlemen's Playing
Cards, and a large assortment of Stationery
and Perfumery Goods.
S. W. BAKER & Co.
Hongkong, December 22, 1868.

FOR YOKOHAMA.
The British barque
"DOM PEDRO II,"
Capt. JAMES YOUNG, will have quick
despatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
F. K. BANAJEE.
Hongkong, March 18, 1869.

"GUINEVERE" FROM LONDON.
THE following packages have been land-
ed and are now stored in the Godowns
of the Underigned at the risk and expense
of the Consignees.
T.M.F. (in disd.) 1/108-108 Packages.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, March 18, 1869.

SEALED TENDERS (in Duplicate)
marked "Tenders for Bills" will be
received at this Office until Noon on
FRIDAY, the 19th instant, for Bills on
the London Commissioners of Her Majesty's
Treasury, or on the Governor General of
India in Council, Calcutta, both at 30 days'
sight, in exchange for current Dollars of
Hongkong at 7.17.
Bills on London will not be drawn for
sums under £1,000; and on Calcutta under
Rupees 10,000.
The accepted Tenders will be at once no-
tified to the respective parties by letter, re-
questing them to lodge the amount to the
credit of the Commissariat Account at the
Oriental Bank Corporation, where a re-
ceipt will be given, on production of which
at this Office the Bills will be issued.
In order to save time, it is requested that
the sets of Bills required may be detailed in
the margin of the Tender, and it is particu-
larly requested that the Tenders may be in
duplicate.

REDMOND UNACKE,
Dep. Commr. Gen.
Controller's Office, Commissariat,
Hongkong, March 11, 1869.

WANTED by a European, an engage-
ment for two or three years; is well
up in Boiler-making, Iron Ship Building,
Ship's Smith-work, &c. Can make his own
Drawings and Estimates. Three years'
character from one of the principal Firms
in China; will be discharged in a few weeks.
Address—B. M. STAG HOTEL,
Hongkong, March 5, 1869.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS
COMPANY LIMITED.
NOTICE.—On and after the first day of
March next, the office of this Com-
pany, situated over the HONGKONG DIS-
PENSAARY will be closed. Letters can how-
ever be left as heretofore in a box placed
for the purpose within the same building.
The Company's Stock of Chandlery and
other Fittings will, after the above date, be
on view at the premises of Messrs LANE,
GRAVFOED & Co., Queen's Road.
A. NEWTON,
Manager.
Hongkong, February 18, 1869.

FAWCETT & Co.,
WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
GENERAL STORE KEEPERS, AND
COMMISSION AGENTS,
Wynham Street, Hongkong.

FOR THE RACES.
SAYLE & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
HONG KONG.
HAVE RECEIVED EX MAIL STEAMER.
A large assortment of MILLINERY,
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A Choice assortment of SILK, MUS-
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Ladies' and Gentlemen's Kid GLOVES,
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New Advertisements.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Ord-
inary Half Yearly Meeting, of the
Shareholders of this Society, will be held
at the Head Office, Hongkong, on THURSDAY,
the first day of April proximo, at 3
o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors, together with
a statement of accounts to 31st December,
1868.
By order of the Board of Directors,
ROBERT WATMORE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 10, 1869.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
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NOTICE.
THE Transfer Books of the Society will
be closed from the 18th day of March,
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CHINA MAIL.

EDITORIAL ADVICE.

Mr. Bryan's dinner last night was a most successful one. The Mercantile Community was represented, and the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Hayley, presided. The dinner was a most successful one, and the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Hayley, presided. The dinner was a most successful one, and the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Hayley, presided.

useful advice. Ministers and Members of Parliament in England are expected to do so, and, on this occasion Mr. Bryan gave his Excellency an opening of which he skillfully availed himself. Everything that can be said in justification of Sir Richard MacDonnell's utterances on this festive occasion are equally applicable in justification of this our notice of that speech. It was meant to be and was taken to be an address to the Colony at large by one who, whatever his faults, has really at heart the fully believe the best interests of the Colony, and who has no selfish interest, no immediate objects of desire, to divert him from his duty. We sincerely hope the Chamber of Commerce and their Chairman will weigh well the useful lesson read them, whether in season, or out of season it matters not, on the subject of their duties to the community and to themselves.

THE OPIUM TRADE WITH SAN FRANCISCO.

A good deal of discussion about the San Francisco opium tariff has of late taken place in native circles in this Colony, and a few particulars have come to our knowledge which may interest mercantile readers. The duty upon this drug levied at the San Francisco Customs House is *ad valorem*, and by certain means which it at first puzzled us considerably to understand, it appears that the exporters from Canton have a considerable advantage over those from this Colony. That there was an impression abroad to the effect that the Canton people used up-to-date practice we were aware, and we endeavored to discover the manner in which it was availed of. Our first enquiries resulted only in being told that the Canton man could declare his opium as of less value than that coming from Hongkong, but this seemed a most unsatisfactory statement. Surely the word of the shipper was not taken as to the value of cases of opium. As to the actual value of two chests from the respective ports of Hongkong and Canton, one would at once infer that the former could under-sell the latter. In this colony but one tax, and that not very oppressive, has to be paid to the opium farmer. At Canton there are the charges of duty and Lekim, the fees to be charged to the Government for permission to prepare the opium, and a further export duty on its being shipped for California. Taking the prime value of the drug as about the same at both ports, there can therefore be no question as to which can best afford to export it at a low price. Yet the converse is the case in practice.

After a good deal of enquiry we have arrived at a solution of the problem, which we make known for the benefit of our Californian friends. It would appear that at each port, every shipper of opium has to take an invoice of his goods to the Consul. This official at Canton, who can scarcely be expected to be a judge of the market values of opium, naturally certifies the invoice as presented. This is received as correct, and upon the prices so certified the duties at San Francisco are levied. These prices are, it is asserted, frequently below the cost price of the drug. The same operation takes place here, but with another result. In a colony where foreign aid is at hand to support the opium monopoly, any attempt to misstate the price in an invoice is promptly checked. The resident Consul can at once ascertain the actual value, and to this only will be certified. This would be very difficult to do at Canton, and hence no attempt seems to be made to accomplish it. But the result is that the Canton opium is admitted at San Francisco upon much less duty than that from Hongkong as the difference in the declared value is said to average \$100 in every thousand taels weight. From this an obvious moral may be drawn at San Francisco. The particulars we have enumerated are acting badly upon the Hongkong trade, and there is but one way of mending matters—the establishment of a uniform duty upon every thousand taels weight, without any reference to the declared value. Shippers from Hongkong would then regain their position as traders from a free port and the ultimate result would be an increase in the trade. It must rest with San Francisco to say whether the present prospect is more inviting than that afforded by the abolition of the *ad valorem* duty.

With reference to our paragraph on the 9th inst., regarding the then projected union in one office of the duties of Judge of the Summary Court and of Attorney General, and in connection with the appointment of the Hon. J. P. Paucot to the Acting Judgeship, we are glad to hear that a conclusive demonstration has been afforded of the truth of our predictions. Mr. Paucot was directed by the Chief Justice to preside at the Criminal Sessions commencing to-day, and the Acting Summary Court Judge found himself in the dilemma of being directed to hear and decide cases in which he was the prosecutor and had signed the informations. He has accordingly tendered his resignation. Had he not done so he must have, under the Summary Court Ordinance, obeyed the order given him by the Chief Justice. Although this order might under existing circumstances be open to question on the score of necessity, there can be no doubt that the Chief Justice has rendered a service to the Colony in exposing the defect, which, as we and most others asserted, attended Mr. Paucot's appointment, as had the Chief Justice been taken ill, such a juncture would have actually arisen.

A TOLERABLE constant stream of amusement is provided for us in the ignorance which prevails in Europe and the United States regarding China. We seldom, however, come across a more curious blunder than that made by a distinguished numismatist at a recent meeting of his Society in Boston, Massachusetts. At this meeting, Dr. Fowler exhibited a set of English Colonial coins struck for use in China. They were proofs, and the coinage has never, it is said, been put in circulation; specimens of it being understood to be rare. The largest was a silver dollar, having on the obverse a filleted head of Queen Victoria with the legend "Victoria Queen" and a Grecian border. On the reverse are some Chinese characters in the centre surrounded by the legend, "One Dollar, Hongkong, 1866." There was also a silver half-dollar, a twenty-cent piece, and a five-cent piece, of the same general type, together with a copper half-cent and mill. The latter resembled the rest, but it had a round hole in the centre, giving it the appearance of a small flat ring.

We thoroughly endorse the worthy doctor's statement that "specimens of the coinage are rare," a great deal rarer in their visits to our pockets, and we are quite sure to the pockets of many of our readers, than is at all desirable. But it is rather too bad for a man who makes a specialty of coin-collecting to be in ignorance regarding the circulation of denominations which have been in use for some years. However, it will not do to say too much, or we shall wake the Bostonians from their numismatic sleep. Meantime, a speculative and judicious party might, from time to time, transmit a few Hongkong dollars with a label "Very rare indeed" affixed. One hundred per cent would repay the venture. Are there no cute Bostonians in Hongkong who could make a "plant"?

The P. M. S. S. *Japan*, which arrived the other day, was commanded by Capt. Geo. E. Lane—an officer whose ability, genial manners and popularity have been well known on this coast for very many years. Captain Lane has made this visit in order to assume the duties of the Company's Agent at this port; Mr. Bowman (the former agent) going up to Shanghai, to take charge at that port. We cannot but congratulate the Company upon the happy choice of agents which has characterized their appointments here for some time back, and regard the fact as a good augury of success. Captain Lane's popularity is of the comprehensive sort, and savours little of that "cliquish" element so common everywhere else, as well as in Hongkong; and the regret of his officers and crew at the fact of losing him as their Captain is proportionately great. This regret has found expression in the address printed below, accompanied with a very rich and valuable service of silver plate; and it may be remarked that this handsome proceeding, on the part of the donors was originally the spontaneous suggestion of the crew, backed up subsequently and very heartily by the officers of the vessel. The gift (which is a very costly one and a magnificent heirloom) is now on view at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s. The following are the address and the reply thereto:

Geo. E. Lane, Esq., Commander of the P. M. S. S. *Japan*.
SIR—We the Officers and crew of the Company's Steamship *Japan*, under your command, having heard with deep regret that you are about to separate from us, beg that you will do us the favor to accept the accompanying Service of Plate as an expression of our respect and esteem for you as a Commander and of our admiration for you as a man; and to console ourselves along with the fact, that in the higher position which you will soon occupy, you will have a wider field for that usefulness and benevolence for which your character is so pre-eminent; and trusting you may have every success and happiness in your future life. We respectfully subscribe ourselves Your Friends and Well Wishers.
(Here follow the Signatures.)
Hongkong, March 16, 1869.

TO MY OFFICERS AND CREW ON BOARD THE STEAMSHIP *JAPAN*.
MY DEAR FRIENDS—I cannot allow you to take your departure from this port and from my command without telling you, as far as is in my power to do, how grateful I am to you all for your uniform kindness to me since I have been associated with you on board the good steamship *Japan*. Your duties in connection with the ship have all been so faithfully, and more than that so cheerfully and willingly, performed as not only to have materially lightened my cares and responsibilities, but to have now my lasting gratitude and esteem.
In return for the magnificent gift of which I have been the recipient from your hands, and which I am certain was prompted by the kindness of your hearts to me, I can only say that words are powerless to express my gratitude. Rest assured, however, that both the gift and the spirit with which it was given are fully appreciated. It will not only be a pleasing reminder to me of the many pleasant hours on the *Japan*, but it will ever be looked upon with heartfelt gratification by my dear family, as a lasting token of regard to their husband and father.
And now, my dear friends, I must bid you adieu, by once more assuring you of my most earnest wish for the future happiness and prosperity of each one of you.
May God bless you and speed the good ship *Japan*.
Truly and gratefully your friend,
(Signed) GEO. E. LANE.

"I wish 'twas the fashion to go to bed every hour in the twenty-four," said an indolent person. "I like that first rate; but the fashion of getting up is the meanest ever invented."
A little boy, disputing with his sister on some subject, we do not now remember what, exclaimed, "It's true, for my says so; and if my says so, it is so, if it isn't so."
Throughs who never were in battle have been destroyed by graps.

LOCAL.

The Annual Examination of the scholars at St. Saviour's School took place to-day before several residents. We have not space for a detailed notice, but are glad to learn that the result gave great satisfaction to those present. The examiners were Mr. Du Chesne (French), and Mr. Harting (Chancery), and Messrs. Stewart and Black.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

The anniversary of the Patron Saint of Ireland was celebrated last evening by Irishmen resident in Hongkong, by a dinner given at the Club. The Company, including guests, numbered about 80. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Richard MacDonnell, presided; and J. C. Whyte, Esq., filled the vice-chair. The military, naval, and civil services were profusely represented; in fact, all sorts and conditions of representative men were there, and they sat down to a very capital feast, so well served as to entitle the caterer to special commendation. The room was tastefully decorated with festoons of evergreens, heraldic banners and devices, and a large transparency of the Irish shield—the harp and crown, and "Erin go Bragh," being displayed in glowing colours. The device was by Mr. Beart, the secretary of the Club, and was executed very artistically. The good things of the feast having been discussed, the Chairman proposed the toast of the Queen, followed by that of the East and Countess of Dublin, both of which were received with other toasts, succeeded in the following order:—"His Excellency the Governor," responded to by Sir Richard; "The Memory of St. Patrick," and "Prosperity to Ireland," both proposed by H. E. "The Worthies of Ireland," by Mr. Russell; "The Army and Navy," by Mr. Whyte, responded to by Col. Gore, and Commodore Jones; "The Bench and Bar," proposed by Mr. Hart, acknowledged by Hon. J. P. Paucot; Mr. P. responded. To Mr. Nelson was entrusted the delicate duty of discharging the responsibility attaching to the toast of "The Ladies." It was responded to by Mr. McDermott. Mr. Uinacke proposed "The Medical Profession," which toast was accepted in a good spirit by Dr. Murray. "The Mercantile Community" proposed by Dr. Hoffman, and replied to by Mr. Bryan, brought the formal programme to an end. Upon the Chairman fell the chief oratory of the evening, and he acquitted himself of his task ably and in a very genial spirit. In the course of his speech, he rendered excellent advice to the Chamber of Commerce, and alluded at some length on the comparative merits of the patron Saints of the four divisions of the United Kingdom. What he said to the Chamber we have commented on elsewhere; and we cannot remain indifferent to his ideas of the Saints. He said St. George was a vagabond, evidently adopting Gibbon's theory. St. Andrew was a nobody; he was a runaway, a mere waif and stray from a vessel that had been wrecked on a barren rock of the Scottish Coast, and in no way entitled to speak of. As for the patron Saint of the Welsh, (Sir Richard did not mention the Welsh Saint's name), he was chiefly remarkable for his quarrels with the real Simon Pure—Saint Patrick. It was by the latter worthy that Sir Richard swore; and so, we remember did Hamlet, as thus:

Horatio—There's no offence, my Lord.
Hamlet—Yes, by Saint Patrick, but there is.
And much offence, too. Touching this vision here—
Never make known what you have seen to night.
Horatio: My Lord, we will not.
—Shakespeare was a shrewd observer. It is said that not an incident can occur in human life that may not be illustrated by a quotation from his plays. The one we have given is apt enough.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr. Goodlake on the Bench.
Captain Douce charged eighteen Chinese for having been found gambling for money in a house in Market Street. It appears that the Captain Superintendent, together with Inspector Grimes and a party of Police, broke up upon a gambling haunt at half-past eight last night. The prisoners were gambling at cards and poken, and others were looking on. An attempt was put out the lights and to effect a general escape were made, but unsuccessfully. First prisoner was proven to be the master, and two others were shown to be very active in the little business. These three were more severely punished than the others, viz., 1st and 12th, three months' hard labor and \$50 fine or three months' further hard labor; 15th prisoner, \$50 fine, in default 16 months' hard labor; and the remaining fifteen received two months' hard labor each.
A Chinaman was charged and committed for larceny, inasmuch as he had broken into and attempted to fire a rice-godown in Bonham Street last night. On the alarm having been given the godown was entered by some Chinese, and prisoner and the broken paltry were found hidden inside. A piece of torn paper and a mat were found burning when the Chinese entered; and the fire was immediately put out, while the prisoner was slightly out with a sword and given in charge. The prisoner was committed for trial at the Supreme Court.

Mr. Aving and Chan Aink were charged by Mr. Jarman with the unlawful possession of stolen property; and the case is a somewhat curious one. It appears that the house of Mr. Ingis, Hollywood Road, was robbed some time since, and a quantity of jewellery, &c., stolen. One piece stolen was an old and much-valued brooch belonging to that gentleman's wife; and this same brooch, amongst others, was yesterday afternoon brought by the first prisoner to Mrs. Ingis for sale. This lady at once recognized her property, and communicated with the Police of the subject. First prisoner stated that he was asked to sell the brooch by the second prisoner. The case was accordingly remanded, \$200 bail being granted for the first prisoner.

"Good morning, Patrick! Slippy this morning!" "Slippy! I am to be jaded this morning else, yer honour! Upon my word, I slipped down three times without getting up once."
A magnetic mountain has been discovered in Swedish Lapland. It is creating a great sensation, and, as may be expected, is drawing immensely.
A REARY just kills an ugly face.
When a man's coat is getting a little old, it may be turned. The older his brain is, the less excuse there is for its being turned.

SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice.)

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The Court House was alive with the usual parties concerned at ten o'clock. The Attorney General appeared to prosecute; and the Court officers, jurors, prisoners, and witnesses were in readiness. But the Chief Justice had not come down; and the Registrar of the Court intimated that the sitting of the Court was postponed till twenty o'clock.

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8.—The Chamber would specially call attention to the port of Kingchow (Shan), which, although provided for in the Treaty of Tientsin, of 26th June, 1858, has since remained to all practical purposes a closed port, owing to the almost prohibitory regulation imposed by the Maritime Customs, requiring that vessels bound to that port shall obtain their clearance at the port of Canton, under pain of confiscation. The Chamber feel convinced that a growing and important trade with this colony has been crushed by the restrictions above referred to.

9.—The Chamber advocates the opening of more coast ports, without restriction, on general grounds, feeling assured that the more points at which foreigners and Chinese come into direct commercial contact, the cheaper will Cotton manufactures and other merchandise be obtained by the consumers, and the larger will the consumption of such imports be. The same would be the inevitable result in regard to exports from the ports which may be opened.

10.—In addition to the houses which would accrue to the Importers of Foreign goods, and the producers on this side—in short, the merchants, both Foreign and Chinese—shipowners, and the Chinese Customs Revenue, could not fail to be also largely benefited.

11.—This Chamber would respectfully point out that it would not be necessary to incur the expenses of full Consular establishments on the opening of such ports; as agents could doubtless be chosen from the merchants who would settle at such places, and who under the supervision of the nearest British Consul, would be able to attend to all necessary business.

12.—Intimately connected with the opening of new ports is the system of Transit Dues, now conducted, this Chamber unhesitatingly asserts, upon the most unjust, factory footing; and the Chamber cannot too strongly impress upon His Excellency the necessity of a radical change in the manner of levying such.

13.—The boon intended to be secured to trade by Rule 7, appended to the Treaty of Tientsin, has, the Chamber need hardly point out, become null and void, by the heavy exactions made upon Imports in their transit from the Treaty ports to the places of consumption, and upon Exports in their transit from the districts of production to the port of shipment; and as a means towards the suppression of said illegal taxes, the Chamber would advocate strongly the opening freely of inland marts to Foreign merchants, and the development of inland communication.

14.—To secure the greater freedom of transit of goods into and from the interior, the Chamber would strongly advocate the introduction of Railways, and that permission should be granted to navigate the inland waters of China by steamers.

15.—The Chamber is convinced that these are two of the most important concessions that ought to be insisted upon in the Revision of the Treaty, and that the removal of the restriction put upon the navigation of the inland waters by steamers, and the introduction of railways, would be productive of incalculable advantage to foreigners and Chinese generally, and more to break up the present system of unreasonable imposts upon goods in transit than any compact which may be entered into with a weak and crippled Government, such as that of China.—I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,
W. J. BRYANS,
Chairman.

CORRESPONDENCE.

PRESENT CONDITION OF PROTESTANT MISSIONS AT FOCHOW, AND VICINITY.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Fochow, March 13, 1869.

DEAR SIR—Believing that not a few of your readers in China, England, and elsewhere, will be interested in a few statements relating to Protestant Missions at this port, I send you the following notes. Let me first state that 2 of the 3 missions located here are American and the other English. The two American missions (that of the American Board and the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States) were commenced in 1847, the other (the English Church Mission) was commenced in 1850. The first baptism occurred in April 1850, nine years after the establishment of the 2nd and six years after the establishment of the 3rd mission, and less than thirteen years ago. The present number of baptized Chinese adults in this city and surrounding country is now very nearly 900. The work has extended on all directions, on the East to the ocean, and on the South to within about 20 miles of a station under the charge of the Amoy Missionaries. On the Island of Lauvit, between this and Amoy, there are quite a number of Christians. On the West, or up the river, there are nearly a hundred miles, there are organized societies of Christians, and on the North towards Ningpo, the work has extended for 50 or 60 miles or farther.

There are over 60 chapels and preaching places within the boundaries mentioned, visited more or less regularly by Missionaries and native helpers; where there are religious services on Sabbath and on Wednesdays, with greater or less frequency. There are about 40 native helpers; that is, native Christians, who are believed to have had sufficient religious experience and religious instruction to qualify them to take charge of chapel and country work. There are between 30 and 40 young and middle-aged men who are called usually "student" helpers under the charge and instruction of missionaries or the native helpers. The latter are regarded as not sufficiently qualified by their religious experience and their knowledge of religious truth, to have the superintendence of separate religious societies, but who, while they spend most of their time in studying the Bible and Christian books, under the instruction of those in whose charge they are placed, are sent out to preach on the Sabbath or other days, and to labor according to circumstances for a longer or shorter period in the country, adjacent to the places where they are stationed.

There are over 60 organized churches or Christian Societies connected with these

missions, containing from a few members up to several tens. These societies are constituted and governed, of course differently, according to the peculiar forms or methods of the missions, with which they are connected.

There are 6 boarding schools, 3 for girls or young women, and 3 for boys or young men, in the 3 missions, each having one for each sex; connected with those schools; there are over 20 young or married men who are church members, and who are studying with a view of preaching the Gospel. There are a number of day schools also in operation.

SHIPPING IN HARBOUR

HONGKONG.

Consignees of Vessels will greatly oblige by forwarding corrections of errors in the following list.

Exclusive of Arrivals, Departures and Clearances reported to day.

On Pedder's Wharf.—W.C. from Pedder's Wharf to Gibb's Wharf.—W. Westward of Gibb's Wharf.—W.C. on Pedder's Wharf to the Military Hospital.—E. Eastward of the Hospital.—K. on Kowloon side.

Vessel's Name and Where Anchored.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
STEAMERS.							
Arcton Appear	W.C. Smith	Brit. str.	938	March 9	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Chilcutt, &c.	20th, 2 p.m.
Clan Alpine	E. Hutchison	Brit. str.	946	March 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Chilcutt, &c.	20th, noon
Donna	W.C. Bourdon	Foh. str.	1065	March 7	Messageries Imperiales	Saigon, Suez, &c.	20th, noon
Douglas	W.C. Topplin	Brit. str.	615	March 13	Douglas, LaPrak & Co.	Saigon, &c.	To-day
Ethel	W.C. Barlow	Brit. str.	1838	March 12	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Ed King	W. Finel	Brit. str.	1044	March 12	A. Heard & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Japan	W. Freeman	Amer. str.	4530	March 13	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Yokohama & S. F. O'Connell	19th, 3 p.m.
Kalahome	W. Bailey	Siam. str.	176	March 10	Chinese.	Amoy	To-day
Madras	W.C. Davies	Brit. str.	606	March 10	R. & O. S. N. Co.		
Malacca	W.C. MacNamara	Brit. str.	1730	March 10	R. & O. S. N. Co.		
Thames	W. Hamlin	Tahiti. str.	808	March 21	A. Heard & Co.		
Yong King	W. Gunning	Amer. str.	677	August 30	A. Heard & Co.		
Yong King	W.C. Morrison	Russ. str.	447	October 19	Landstein & Co.		
SAILING VESSELS.							
Amelia & Constantia	W. Lindouk	Dut. bk.	466	Feb. 1	Bosman & Co.		
Albatross	W. Louisa	N. Ger. bk.	412	March 10	Bourjau, Hubner & Co.	San Francisco	To-day
Albatross	W. Onken	N. Ger. bk.	650	Feb. 10	E. Schellhaus & Co.		
Amelia	W.C. Halmston	Frit. bk.	380	January 20	Birley & Co.		
Amelia	W. Fabricius	N. Ger. bk.	400	March 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Amelia	W. Parks	Salv. sh.	1450	January 16	Captain		
Amelia	W.C. Gyllenpalm	Russ. bk.	200	March 5	Order		
Amelia	W. Pettie	Brit. bk.	324	Feb. 16	John Burd & Co.		
Amelia	W. O'Brien	Spain. bk.	270	Feb. 16	Order		
Amelia	W. Suhr	N. Ger. bk.	183	January 21	Carlson & Co.		
Amelia	K. O'Sullivan	Brit. bk.	298	Dec. 31	Falconer & Co.		
Benefactor	W.C. Barry	Amer. bk.	596	Feb. 28	Smith, Archer & Co.		
Bezael	W. Chelley	Brit. bk.	204	Feb. 20	Order		
Black Prince	E. Inglis	Brit. sh.	750	March 4	Turner & Co.		
Callao	E. Lavarello	Salv. sh.	1440	Nov. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Gandalaria	W. Lora	Spain. bk.	407	January 23	Remedios & Co.	Manila	18th instant
Ceres	W. Schwarz	N. Ger. bk.	410	March 10	W. P. P. & Co.		
Charlotte	W. Steingrabe	N. Ger. bk.	319	Feb. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Charlotte H. Andrews	W. Vandervord	Brit. bk.	355	Feb. 2	Rozario & Co.	Melbourne and Sydney	20th
Chippel	W. Hoffmeister	N. Ger. bk.	223	March 11	Melchers & Co.	Tientsin	Early
Don West	K. Pnat	N. Ger. bk.	641	Feb. 21	Bourjau, Hubner & Co.	Yokohama	Early
Don West II	W. Young	Brit. bk.	244	March 1	P. A. Metta & Co.		
Ellen	W. Windsor	Brit. sh.	631	Dec. 20	Olyphant & Co.		
Ellen Rickmers	W. Rehm	N. Ger. bk.	306	March 10	Melchers & Co.		
Ellen Palmer	W. McCullin	Brit. sh.	1628	January 3	A. Heard & Co.	San Francisco	Immediate
Frederic	W. Nicksel	Belg. sh.	593	January 6	Borneo Company		
Gorge Becker	W.C. Behnek	N. Ger. bk.	268	March 6	Siemens & Co.		
Gravina	W. Barelo	Spain. bk.	246	March 13	Remedios & Co.		
Goueyere	W.C. Spowat	Brit. sh.	873	Feb. 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saigon	To-morrow
Havetis	E. Baileys	Amer. sh.	1205	Feb. 6	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	Early
Hongkong	W. Freudenburg	Siam. sh.	635	Feb. 14	Chinese.		
Iris	E. Schulz	N. Ger. bk.	224	Feb. 28	E. Schellhaus & Co.		
Jagan	K. Hayer	N. Ger. bk.	216	Feb. 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Kedar	K. Cowie	Brit. bk.	532	March 16	D. LaPrak & Co.		
Kim Yang Tye	W. Lange	Siam. bk.	329	January 18	Chinese.		
Leon Pa	W.C. Collins	Ital. bk.	286	October 10	Order		
Lima	W. Hainhardt	Brit. bk.	255	Feb. 9	Carlowitz & Co.		
Madura	W. Steffens	N. Ger. bk.	268	March 7	Siemens & Co.	Chefoo	To-day
Magdalena	E. Boysin	N. Ger. bk.	480	March 16	Siemens & Co.		
Maria	W. Canellas	Russ. sh.	637	Feb. 10	Landstein & Co.		
Melador	W.C. Kalkloser	N. Ger. bk.	302	March 8	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Melador	W. Petterson	Siam. bk.	395	Feb. 11	Chinese.		
Morning Star	W. Schmitt	Siam. bk.	970	January 17	Chinese.		
National Eagle	E. Nickerson	Amer. sh.	1005	Feb. 1	A. Heard & Co.	San Francisco	Early
Navarino	E. Paddon	Brit. bk.	408	Feb. 21	Landstein & Co.		
Neptune	W. Bunnell	Brit. bk.	287	Feb. 7	R. S. Walker & Co.	Singapore	To-day
Northfleet	W. Oates	Brit. sh.	876	March 10	Gilman & Co.		
Ohio Constante	W. Fabie	Spain. bk.	203	Dec. 16	Remedios & Co.		
Ocean	E. Narynes	Foh. bk.	528	Nov. 6	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	Early
Old Dominion	E. Freeman	Amer. sh.	695	March 11	A. Heard & Co.		
Queen of England	W. Hoffmann	Siam. sh.	542	January 15	Chinese.	Bangkok	To-day
Rodrigo	W.C. Perello	Spain. bk.	177	March 8	Wahee & Co.	Manila	
Ruby	E. Schwalky	Brit. bk.	532	Feb. 16	Carlowitz & Co.		
Santa Anna	W. Oavito	Spain. bk.	463	Feb. 10	Remedios & Co.		
Shirley	W. Ferguson	Amer. sh.	1049	Dec. 31	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	Immediate
Sultan	W.C. Moss	Brit. bk.	520	Feb. 27	Thomas Howard		
Vision	W. Cummings	Brit. bk.	159	March 13	A. G. Hogg & Co.		
W. G. Russell	E. Jewett	Brit. sh.	1243	March 7	Master	San Francisco	Immediate
Windward	K. Barrett	Amer. sh.	982	Feb. 8	Russell & Co.		
Ziba	K. Bowes	Brit. bk.	513	March 7	Douglas LaPrak & Co.	Foochow	

WHAMPOA.

Vessel's Name.	Captain.	Flag & Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
Anne Porter	Davey	Brit. bk.	234	March 3	Order	Ningpo	
Arthur	Crosby	Amer. bk.	250	January 25	Russell & Co.		
Bahama	Ferrie	Brit. str.	715	Feb. 27	Douglas LaPrak & Co.		
Batavia	Hertzer	N. Ger. bk.	385	March 9	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Ningpo	
Bertha	Mooney	Brit. str.	286	Feb. 26	Douglas LaPrak & Co.		
China	Moller	N. Ger. bk.	223	March 13	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	
Colima	Buhrfand	N. Ger. bk.	223	March 13	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Tientsin	
Exon	Luigina	N. Ger. bk.	196	March 17	Carlowitz & Co.		
Iverson	Iverson	N. Ger. bk.	230	March 18	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Niger	Jobling	Brit. str.	1125	March 12	Borneo Company		

VESSELS LOADING.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Consignee.
CHINA & JAPAN PORTS.			
NINGPO	Anne Porter	Brit. bk.	Order
Do.	Batavia	N. Ger. bk.	Wm. Pustau & Co.
SHANGHAI	China	N. Ger. str.	Siemens & Co.
TIENSIN	Colima	N. Ger. bk.	Carlowitz & Co.
Do.	Colima	N. Ger. bk.	Wm. Pustau & Co.
YOKOHAMA	Der West	N. Ger. sh.	Bourjau, Hubner & Co.
OTHER PORTS.			
Y. HAMA & S. F. O'CONNEL	Japan	Amer. str.	P. M. S. S. Co.
SAN FRANCISCO	Helvetia	Amer. sh.	Russell & Co.
Do.	National Eagle	Amer. sh.	A. Heard & Co.
Do.	Windward	mer. sh.	Russell & Co.
Do.	F. A. Palmer	Brit. str.	A. Heard & Co.
Do.	Shirley	Amer. sh.	Russell & Co.
Do.	Ol. Dominion	Amer. sh.	A. Heard & Co.
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY	C. H. Andrews	Brit. str.	Siemens & Co.
CALCUTTA, &c.	G. H. Apece	Brit. str.	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Do.	Clan Alpine	Brit. str.	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MANILA	Rodrigo	Span. bk.	Wahee & Co.

*At Whampoa.

†At Canton.

MEN-OF-WAR IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Officer.	Commander.
Adventure	British	steam troop ship	1734	2	Hy. J. Raby, V.C. Capt.
Bouncer	British	gun boat	230	3	60 Rodney Lloyd, Lieut. Comr.
Camois	Portuguese	gun-boat	2		Maial
Cockchafer	British	gun boat	250	1	60 H. W. Kerr
Flamer	British	Naval hospital	230		Attached to Melville
Grasshopper	British	gun boat	230	3	60 In ordinary.
Iroquois	U. States	steam sloop	1000	6	Earl English
Janus	British	gun boat	167	3	40 Leicester O. Keppel
Mesane	British	Military hospital	2501		Hospital ship
Melville	British	Naval hospital			Geo. B. Hill, Staff Surgeon
Persus	British	steam sloop	955	17	200 C. J. Stevens
Piscataqua	U. States	steam sloop	3177	23	— Ammen
Princess Charlotte	British	receiving ship	2443	14	Oliver J. Jones, Commodore

CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS.

Name.	Flag.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners or Agents.
An-fan	Chinese	gun vessel	221	7 Godall
Ching-teing	Chinese	gun vessel	221	7 Edwards
Chin-hai	Chinese	gun boat	6	Deins
Fai-long	Chinese	gun boat	6	Francis
Spy	Chinese	Customs' launch	180	3 Pointer
Sui-teing	Chinese	gun boat	180	5 Stewart
Tien-po	Chinese	gun boat	6	de Longueville

HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON.

RIVER STEAMERS.

Vessel.	Flag.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners or Agents.
Dragon	British	117	Stephenson	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Fame (110 h.p. power)	Do.	117	Stephenson	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Fire Dart	Do.	380	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Kim Shan	Do.	456	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Kiu Kiang	Do.	617	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Little Orphan	Do.	69	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Poyang	Do.	379	Cary	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Prince Albert	Do.	180	Cary	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Sir J. J. Jeyebhooy	Do.	101	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co.
Spark	Amer. Do.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co.
Spec	Do.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co.
White Cloud	British	280	Carrol	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug

RECEIVING SHIPS & HULKS.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Chase	P. M.	ship	283	Mason	Harbour Master (Gunpowder)
Fort William	British	ship	1000	Townsend	P. & O. S. N. Co.
John Adam	British	barque	318	Dunnis Daly	Water Police
Kim Joo Hong	"	"	288	"	"

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